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THE HON. SRI P. KAKKAN: ஆற்றோரங்களிலே ரோடுபோடுவது நல்லதல்ல என்பது அரசாங்கத்தின் எண்ணம். எந்தெந்த இடத்தில் ரோட்டுகள் தேவையோ அந்தந்த இடத்தில் ரோடுகள் போட்டு கிராம மக்களுக்கு உதவி செய்து வருகிறார்கள். இந்த ரோட்டை ஹைவேஸ் டிபார்ட்மெண்ட், எடுத்துக்கொண்டு கவனிக்கும்.

Sri Ranganathar Deity of Srirangam (Thenkalai Namam)

* 1049 *Q.*—SRI T. S. RAMASWAMI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Home be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received any petition from the devotees of Sri Ranganatha temple of Srirangam objecting to the putting of Thenkalai Namam on the forehead of the deity therein;

(*b*) if so, the details of their objection; and

(*c*) the action taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: (*a*) No, Sir.

(*b*) & (*c*) Do not arise.

SRI K. VINAYAKAM: Sir, what exactly is the difference between this Vadakalai and Thenkalai namams? What is the sanctity attached to these types of namams and on what basis the present system is obtaining in the temples?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: The hon. Member must have known the difference between Vadakalai and Thenkalai as that between 'u' and 'y'. So far as I see there is no sanctity about the difference in namams. People may have belief in namams but this kind of difference is meaningless.

Bus-stands in City (construction)

* 1050 *Q.*—SRI A. A. RASHEED: Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries be pleased to state the present stage of the construction of bus-stands in the Madras City?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN: There are already three bus-stands at the Parry's Corner, T. Nagar and near the Casino. It is proposed to construct three more bus-stands one each at Mandavalli, Vadapalani and Mint and necessary sites when required for the purpose are being acquired. The construction of the bus stands will be taken up as soon as the sites are acquired.

SRI A. A. RASHEED: Sir, is the Hon. the Minister aware of the fact that the travelling public are put to lot of inconvenience especially in the sun and rain for want of shelters? If so, will the Government expedite the construction of these stands as early as possible?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN: Bus-stand is different from bus shelter. So far as shelters are concerned, they are put up in co-operation with the Corporation.

SRI K. VINAYAKAM : Sir, is the Hon. the Minister aware of the fact that at present the bus shelters have been constructed from out of the munificence given by the philanthropic public only and they are not constructed from the coffers of either the Corporation or of the Government? Will the Government see the possibility of constructing these shelters from their own funds instead of depending on somebody to offer this kind of aid?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : A separate question about the bus shelters may be put.

Small Saving Scheme (Establishment charges)

* 1051 *Q.*—SRI M. P. SARATHI : கனம் நிதி அமைச்சர் தயவுசெய்து கீழ்க் கண்ட கேள்விகளுக்குப் பதிலளிப்பாரா—

(அ) சிறு சேமிப்புத் துறைக்காகவும், பரிசு பத்திரங்கள் விற்பனைக்காகவும் தனியாக அதிகாரிகள், ஊழியர்கள் எவ்வளவு பேர் நியமிக்கப்பட்டுள்ளனர் ?

(இ) இத் துறையில் ஆகும் செலவு முழுவதையும் மத்திய அரசாங்கமே ஏற்றுக்கொள்கிறதா ?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : (*a*) A Special Section consisting of one Superintendent, Two Upper Division Clerks and One Typist is working in the Finance Secretariat and a Publicity Assistant in the Public (Information and Publicity) Department on a temporary basis to attend to the work connected with Small Savings Scheme and Prize Bonds. There is no separate staff on a regular basis in the districts for this purpose. However, at present for work connected with the Special Drive for the sale of Prize Bonds some special staff has been sanctioned for six Districts for a period of two months only.

(*b*) The expenditure incurred on staff in connection with Small Savings Scheme and Prize Bonds is met by the Government of India to the extent of 50 per cent of the total expenditure incurred.

SRI S. M. ANNAMALAI : இந்த பிரைஸ் பாண்ட் வசூலிப்பதற்காக வேண்டி ஒவ்வொரு அதிகாரியையும் இவ்வளவுதான் வசூலிக்கவேண்டும் என்று ஏதாவது டார்ஜட் வைக்கப்பட்டிருக்கிறதா ? அதேசமயத்தில் சாதாரண மக்களிடம் வற்புறுத்தி வசூலிக்கக்கூடாது என்று சொல்லப்படுகிறதா ?

DEPUTY SPEAKER : The question does not arise out of the main question. The Hon. the Minister need not answer.

Health Schemes in rural areas (UNICEF aid)

* 1052 *Q.*—SRI S. M. ANNAMALAI (on behalf of SRI K. SATTANATHA KARAYALAR) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state the assistance received from the UNICEF during the Second Five-Year Plan period for the development of Health Schemes in rural areas?